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MINNESTOA CORN PRODUCTION UNCHANGED, SOYBEANS DOWN FROM LAST MONTH

Corn production for Minnesota is forecast at 1.26 billion bushels, unchanged from last month but up 1 percent from 2009, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. Based on conditions as of November 1, yield is forecast at 175 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from 2009. If realized, these estimates will result in record high yield and production.

SOYBEAN production for Minnesota is forecast at 322 million bushels, down 2 percent from the October 1 forecast but up 13 percent from 2009. Based on conditions as of November 1, the yield is forecast at 44 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from October but up 4 bushels from last year.

SUGARBEET production is forecast at 11.9 million tons, down 1 percent from last month, but up 12 percent from last year. The average yield, forecast at 27.0 tons per acre is down 2.0 tons per acre from last month, but up 3.3 tons per acre from last year. If realized, this will be a record high yield and production.

FALL POTATO production is forecast at 17.0 million cwt, down from 20.7 million cwt last year. Yield is forecast at 405 cwt per acre, down 55 cwt from 2009.

U.S. HIGHLIGHTS

Corn production is forecast at 12.5 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the October forecast and down 4 percent from last year's record production of 13.1 billion bushels. As of November 1, yields are expected to average 154.3 bushels per acre, down 1.5 bushels from the previous month and 10.4 bushels below last year's record of 164.7 bushels. Forecasted yields decreased from last month throughout much of the Corn Belt, with the biggest decline forecasted in Missouri, down 7 bushels per acre. The expected yield in South Dakota declined 5 bushels from last month while the Nebraska yield dropped 4 bushels per acre. Record high yields are forecast in California, Georgia, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, and Wisconsin.

Soybean production is forecast at a record high 3.38 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the October forecast but up slightly from last year. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 43.9 bushels per acre, down 0.5 bushel from last month and down 0.1 bushel from last year's record high yield. Compared with last month, yields are forecast lower or unchanged in all major-producing States except Delaware, Michigan, Mississippi, North Carolina, Texas, and Wisconsin. The largest decreases in yield from last month are expected in Kansas, Nebraska, New Jersey, and South Dakota, down 2 bushels each. If realized, the forecasted yields in Illinois, Louisiana, New York, and Wisconsin will be record highs and the forecasted yield in Michigan and North Dakota will tie the previous record high. Area for harvest in the United States is forecast at 76.8 million acres, unchanged from the previous forecast but up 1 percent from 2009.

MINNESOTA & U.S. HARVESTED ACRES, YIELD AND PRODUCTION, 2009 AND FORECASTED NOVEMBER 1, 2010

COMMODITY	2009 HARVESTED ACRES (000)	2010 HARVESTED ACRES (000)	2009 YIELD	2010 YIELD	2009 PRODUCTION (000)	2010 PRODUCTION (000)
MINNESOTA						
CORN (Bu)	7,150	7,200	174.0	175.0	1,244,100	1,260,000
SOYBEANS (Bu)	7,120	7,310	40.0	44.0	284,800	321,640
SUGARBEETS (Ton)	449	442	23.7	27.0	10,641	11,934
FALL POTATOES (Cwt)	45	42	460.0	405.0	20,700	17,010
UNITED STATES						
CORN (Bu)	79,590	81,263	164.7	154.3	13,110,062	12,539,646
SOYBEANS (Bu)	76,372	76,823	44.0	43.9	3,359,011	3,375,067
SUGARBEETS (Ton)	1,148.6	1,153.5	25.7	27.7	29,563	31,934
FALL POTATOES (Cwt)	917.2	882.5	429.0	410.0	393,544	361,392